

BETHEL

Prof. Charles Billings, instructor in Greek language and literature at Middlebury college, resumed his work last week.

Lieut. Elmer Dinamore, formerly of this village, has received his discharge from army service after about two years at the U. S. arsenal in Watertown, Mass. Capt. Ransome Greene, Mrs. Greene and their son, Raymond, of Chelmsford, Mass., are at Dr. O. D. Greene's for a short visit. Capt. Greene recently was discharged from the army medical corps.

Arthur V. Leavitt has a new Ford touring car.

Harry Raymond of East Bethel is working for his board at the inn and attending high school.

Rev. Stephen Smith of Colchester, who was yesterday's preacher at the Congregational church, was the guest while in town of Mrs. Eliza Miller.

The Methodist church will hold week-night prayer meetings during the fall and winter in 25 homes in the village.

A dance for the benefit of the playground fund, with Carroll's orchestra as musicians, will be held at the town hall Friday evening.

E. J. Batchelder and Miss Elsie Snelling went Saturday to Claremont, N. H., to attend that city's welcome home to its soldiers and sailors.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Atkinson of Morrisville are visiting their daughters.

John C. Gilman attended the Eastern States agricultural exposition at Springfield, Mass.

George H. Kimball and John S. Kimball are visiting relatives in and around Boston.

W. B. Brooks, formerly of this place, who has been at the Montpelier hospital since midsummer, after breaking both legs by a fall, now is able to walk with the aid of crutches.

Miss Kate Bullard is nursing in the family of James P. Marsh.

George Byam is making his home at Elmer W. Stoddard's, having moved there from W. G. Byam's.

WATERBURY

Those who officiated as bearers at the funeral of Mrs. Ellen Conway were John Keefe, John Ryan, William Goodwin, William Levine, Thomas Reynolds, James Flynn, Rev. Robert Devoy officiated and burial was in the Holy Cross cemetery. Mrs. William Gleason will remain in the Conway home for a time.

George Huse and daughter, Martha, and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Huse of Niagara Falls are visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. Emma Raymond of Orange, Mass., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. B. F. Hart, for the last month, went Wednesday to visit friends in Craftsbury before returning to her home in Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ward of Burlington were over-night visitors of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hart, while on their way to their new home in Monson, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Ward were formerly residents of Duxbury and are the kind of people one dislikes to have leave Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cottle of Scanton, Pa., are expected here soon to be the guests of Mrs. Cottle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkins.

Too Neighbory.

"Those Neddors are altogether too neighbory."

"Eh! Why, I thought I heard you praising them up to the skies."

"So you did. But the other night they gave a dinner and borrowed our cook."

"Well?"

"And they've forgotten to return her."

—Boston Transcript.

RANDOLPH

The funeral of the late Mrs. Roxana (West) Hebard was held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Albert Morse, on Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock, Rev. R. H. Moore officiating, and burial was at Randolph Center. Mrs. Hebard had reached the age of 84 years and three months, and had for years lived with her daughter here. She was a devoted member of the Methodist church in this place, and as long as her health permitted, was a regular attendant. Mrs. Morse was her only daughter. Her husband died many years ago.

The funeral of Dexter L. Chatfield was held from his late home on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with a good attendance. Mr. Chatfield had been ill for several months, and for the last few weeks his suffering was intense. Mr. Chatfield was a nine months' man in the union army of the Civil war, a member of the 10th Vermont regiment.

Rev. G. E. Goodfellow of Morrisville was in town on Saturday for a short stay.

Wardner Hodgkins came on Saturday from Rochester, where he lives, and is to be with his son, W. G. Hodgkins, and family for a few days.

Miss May Cross of Springfield, Mass., arrived here the last of the week to visit her mother, Mrs. Asenath Cross, and Saturday went to Montpelier to visit friends, expecting to return here for a longer stay.

Mrs. J. B. Eldredge, who had been passing the week with her sister, Mrs. B. H. Davis, left for her home in Waterville on Saturday.

Mrs. Jennie Bagley of Springfield came on Saturday to spend a short time with Mr. and Mrs. Newell Jones, who live on Forest street.

Mrs. Horner, who lives on the Emerson Terrace and who was taken ill the last of last week, is no better, and on Sunday was thought to be not as well. Her son and wife, Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Holden, are with her for the most part of the time, and it is yet uncertain what course the disease may take. Mrs. Horner suffered a slight hemorrhage of the lungs last week, and this has not yet wholly stopped.

Mrs. Mabel C. Leonard and her son, Luther, who have been here for most of the summer with Mrs. C. R. Pratt, left last week for their home in Trenton, N. J.

Mrs. Francis Farwell and daughter of Lunenburg, Mass., are passing ten days here with her brother, R. H. Slack, and family and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bass and daughter, Miss Elaine Bass, who have been in town for several days, left here on Saturday for their home, taking with them Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Proper, who go to make a permanent home.

Mrs. T. M. Bassette and daughter, Miss Irene, of Middlebury, and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Austin of Burlington, all former residents, are in town visiting with friends.

Mrs. S. M. Minuse accompanied her husband on his return to Hartford the first of the week for a short stay.

C. H. Wheelock, captain of the court of sessions, New York City, has been with E. H. Grice on the stock farm for ten days. Mr. Wheelock is a cousin of Mrs. Grice.

Miss Mary Priest took her cousin, Miss Adeline Case, who had been several weeks here, to her home in West Springfield, Mass., last week. Mrs. W. F. Edson and Miss Maude Johnson went with her to West Springfield to visit their sister, Mrs. A. M. Young. The party will return the first of this week by the Mohawk trail.

Mrs. A. J. Foster of this place, aged 87, composed a poem of special recognition, "Memory Day," which has been

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WEST FAIRLEE

Several men from Massachusetts, spending their fall vacation in town at Dearborn inn, left for home today.

Charles Doyle, who recently sold out at auction, has gone to Butte, Mont.

C. W. Coburn of Cambridge, Mass., who recently bought out the West Fairlee hardware store, has remodeled the inside of the building and filled it with groceries, etc.

Thomas Bennett is in town in the interest of the Ely-Copperfield copper mines.

Several slight frosts have occurred, but up to date no damage has resulted.

David Wilson, Main street, has purchased the hotel lot and added the same to his home place.

Mrs. C. N. Krook made a flying trip to Barre and left her two children to attend Goddard seminary.

Oscar Carleton has sold his place to Henry Mattoon of Vershire and moved to the residence of his son, Ira S. Carleton.

Saved on Cigars.

"You see that fine house? A man built that with the money he saved on cigars."

"He must have been a terrific smoker before he quit."

"He didn't quit—he's a cigar manufacturer."—Boston Transcript.

Would Then Beef-Hashable.

A seller of government foods says that the beef hash, though excellent, is not going off well. It would probably sell better if relabeled "Beefchauffe."—Boston Transcript.

MAY HELP N. E. FARMS.

The Speculation Now Going on in Farm Properties.

A "reconstruction" phenomenon which may have far-reaching consequences is the fever of speculation in farm lands now raging in the middle West—particularly in Iowa and the Illinois corn belt, but already spread to northern Missouri, eastern Kansas, eastern Nebraska, eastern North and South Dakota, southern Minnesota and western Indiana. The situation, over a large range of territory, appears closely to resemble suburban land booms near big cities under exceptional conditions, as when the New York East side was forced to yield many acres of crowded residence district to provide an approach to the great Manhattan bridge. Tracts of land changed hands rapidly and many people made large sums of money selling land before they bought it, on the knowledge of what it could be had for.

In the middle West, however, now progressing town and city dwellers, not farmers, have been among the chief speculators, in some single transactions making profits of from \$10,000 to \$30,000. In Iowa and central Illinois prices have increased since spring on an average of from \$75 to \$100 an acre.

This situation, which has been the subject of special investigation by agents of the department of agriculture, threatens a degree of economic chaos. Many buyers of land, in nearly every case making small first payments, are depending upon future sale of the property to enable them to hold up their end of the contract into which they have entered. It is the nature of such booms to keep forging ahead until a crash comes. But if in a given case the crash should be averted the final holder of the land is likely to find himself obliged to produce so much revenue from it to meet the cost of carrying it to tax his resources to the utmost, and perhaps to the breaking point. His problem will be very much the same as that of the corporation attempting to pay dividends on watered stock. Meanwhile the banks, which lend money on a comparatively small percentage of farm land value, are not inclined to base their passively small percentage of farm deed, the department of agriculture properly warns them against assisting in the present feverish speculation.

What the effects may be of this disturbance of normal economic processes it would be difficult to forecast. Already many successful farmers have retired on the proceeds of the sale of their farms; others have moved to states where prices are less. Whether the loss to agriculture by the withdrawal of former will be offset fully by the gains in extending efficient methods to new regions, the better the future will be seen to be.

Many who find themselves unable to work their high-priced farms at a profit will doubtless clamor for higher prices for their products. Whether they can get them or not will depend largely upon the conditions generally prevailing, including those outside the boom districts. On the other hand the pressure for more profitable production may well have a legitimate reaction in demands for improvements in transportation, marketing facilities and methods of production. In any event the farmers have started a momentum that is bound to keep things going if the alternative is to be avoided of the abandonment of many of the richest farm acres in the country, or their resale at great financial loss.

One effect of this frenzy of speculation should be to turn the attention of farmers to the neglected lands of New England. Many thousands of acres capable of a high degree of cultivation, near markets and accessible by the best roads and transportation facilities in the country, are to be had for much less than the amounts representing mere profit in a large proportion of these middle West transactions. If the Mondell bill, embodying the Lane plan for soldier settlement, goes through, it is highly probable that the government will avoid fancy-priced land for its projects. It will have the more reason to look this way for the opportunity to get the most for the retired service man and for agriculture per dollar expended.—Springfield Republican.

THE WIDOWED MOTHER'S CASE.

Problem of Meeting Present Costs on a Small Fixed Income.

At the first glance, the threat of our correspondent, "Widowed Mother," that she was about to organize a strike seems as little impressive as the threatened strike of the bartender. But a second glance discloses, if not a terror behind the maternal threat, at least an impressive grievance.

One element in the community, and an important element, has been rather painfully whipsawed. When the farmer insists that he will not plant more wheat unless he is guaranteed upward of \$2 a bushel for his crop, he raises the price of food for all of us, including the Widowed Mother. The industrial workman counters by demanding an increase of wages to match the increased cost—and he also raises the price of living for all of us. The farmer retorts, as the New York state grange has lately done, with a bitter complaint that high wages in the industrial centers have lured labor from the land, thus doubling and trebling farm wages, so that he makes no more out of his wheat at \$2.26 a bushel than he used to make at \$1 a bushel. Each harbors a grievance against the other for depriving him of the value of his advanced income—but each does have an advanced income.

Widowed Mother, meantime, has to meet the increased cost of both food and manufactured product, and has only the old income to meet it with, which was perhaps barely sufficient under the scale of prices before the war. One sympathizes with the tale of how her Mollie is stretching up out of her proportion to skirts and stockings, how her Johnnie's appetite refuses to be filled with arguments derived from the high cost of living. Yet her threat of going on strike, as she is amiably aware, is a joke.

Some day we may laugh on the other side of the month. The world of the present thinks little of Mollie and Johnnie; but to the world of the future they are a more important item than the cost of food or fabric. No country is better or stronger than the men and women who possess it. Farmer and workman have seen to it that they do not suffer. In the generation to come their children will be alive and doing. It is upon families that lived on fixed incomes that the war has fallen with its most crushing force. Their children will be fewer than ever, and ill-nurtured besides.

What all this has meant to our army and navy, and to our universities is now pretty thoroughly understood. But middle-class homes everywhere are suffering as deeply; and for them no remedy is at hand or proposed. The grievance of the mother who sees her children skimped and often hungry is more serious than that of the farmer and the workman. There is an inequity here, and a deep one; it will test the full virtue of republic institutions to correct it.

—New York Times.

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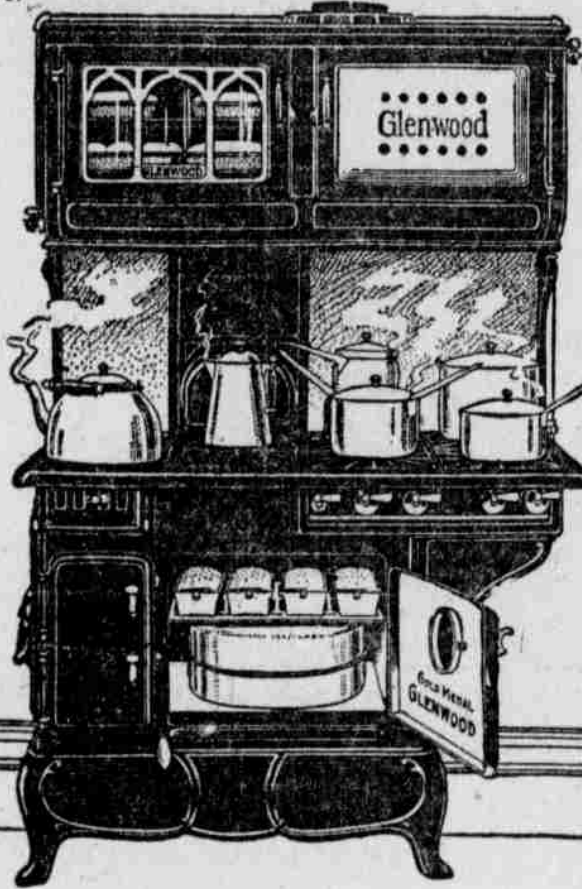
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CAMPBELL—WARING.

St. Johnsbury Attorney Goes to West Newton, Mass., for Bride.

Boston, Sept. 22.—Saturday noon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Elmer Waring, 29 Davis avenue, West Newton, the marriage of their daughter, Elmer, to James Bowman Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Vt., took place. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Woodman Bradbury, D. D., of Newton Center.

Miss Waring is a graduate of Simmons college, and Mr. Campbell of the University of Vermont. They will make their home in St. Johnsbury, where Mr. Campbell is the state's attorney.

Kansas Against Grade Crossings.

At last, Kansas has taken official recognition of the menace of the grade crossings, and Governor Allen has instructed the public utilities commission to take action for their elimination.

The announcement is made from Topeka that the commission will begin the crusade against the death traps by an effort to eliminate the crossings between Lawrence and Topeka on the Union Pacific.

Kansas will attempt to place the responsibility for eliminating the crossings upon the railroads, but it is announced the crossings will be abolished in any event, even though it may be necessary to go into the courts to establish the financial responsibility for removing them.

Generally speaking, courts have held that railroads are responsible for the eliminations of crossings because they created the danger that exists by building their lines across the highways. That is particularly true as to the construction of viaducts and subways in the cities. But however the courts may hold as to the costs, the state should not think of abandoning the crusade against grade crossings until the public highways are made safe to the public. The communities in which the death traps exist, and the state-at-large, are equally concerned in this movement, and if Kansas finds the way it will lead the country in one of the most important problems now up to the state governments.

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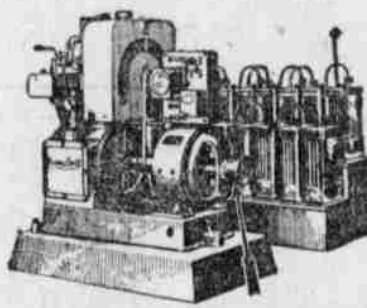
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